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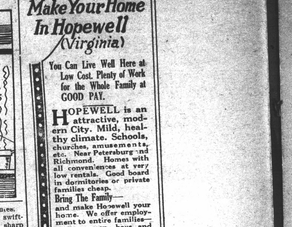

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CHAPTER —XX Continued

I've got to tell you. The afternoon Rontis an' I were married, when Gene an' the padre had gone, she left me for a little, an' when she came back she wore some pretty yellow flowers in her hair. She said some queer things about spirits rollin' rocks down the canyon. Then she said she wanted to show me where she always sat an' waited an' watched for me when I was away. She led me around under the crags to a long slope. It was some pretty there—clear an' open, with a long sweep, an' the desert yawnin' deep an' red. There were yellow flowers on that slope, the same kind she had in her hair.

"When I heard the strange crack of rollin' rocks—heard them rattle down an' roll an' grow faint—I was some out of my head. But not for long. Them rocks were rollin' all right, only it was the weatherin' of the cliffs.

"Ah!" there under the crags was a gold pocket.

"Then I was worse than looced. I went gold-crazy. I worked like seven-teen burros. Bill, I dug a lot of gold bearin' quartz. Boults watched the trails for me, brought me water. That was how—how—how—I—got—back—to Pat Hawe an' his guerrillas. Sure! Pat Hawe was so set on doin' Gene dirt that he mixed up with Don Carlos Boults will tell you some staggerin' news about that outfit. Just now my story is all gold."

Danny Maina got up and kicked back his chair. Blue lightning gleamed from his eyes as he thrust a hand toward Stillwell.

"Bill, old pal, put her there—give me your hand," he said. "You were always my friend. You had faith in me. Well, Danny Maina owes you, an' he owes Gene Stewart a good deal, an' Danny Maina pays. I want two partners to help me work my gold mine. You an' Gene. Go fetch him; an' right here in this house, with my wife an' Miss Hammond as witnesses, we'll draw up a partnership. Go find him, Bill. I want to show him this gold, show him how Danny Maina pays! An' the only bitter drop in my cup today is that I can't ever pay Monty Price."

Madeline watched the huge Stillwell and the little cowboy, both talking wildly, as they walked off arm in arm to find Stewart. She imagined something of what Danny's disappointment would be, of the elder man's consternation and grief, when he learned Stewart had left for the border. At this juncture she looked up to see a strange, yet familiar figure approaching. Padre Marcos!

Mention of Padre Marcos, sight of him, had always occasioned Madeline a little indefinable shock; and now, as he stepped to the porch, a shrunken, stooped, and sad-faced man, she was startled.

The padre bowed low to her.

"Senora, will you grant me audience? It is a matter of great moment, which you might not care to hear any one hear."

Wonderingly Madeline inclined her head. The padre gently closed one door and then the others.

"Senora, I have come to disclose a secret—my own sinfulness in keeping it—and to implore your pardon. Do you remember that night Senor Stewart dragged me before you in the waiting-room at El Cajon?"

"Yes," replied Madeline.

"Senora, since that night you have been Senor Stewart's wife?"

Madeline became as motionless as stone. She seemed to feel nothing, only to hear.

"You are Senor Stewart's wife. I have kept the secret under fear of death. But I could keep it no longer. Senor Stewart may kill me now. Ah, Senora, it is very strange to you. You were so frightened that night, you knew not what happened. Senor Stewart threatened me. He forced you. He made me speak the Spanish you. He made you speak the Spanish you. And I, Senora, knowing the deeds of these sinful cowboys, fearing worse than disgrace to one so beautiful and so good as you, I could not do less than marry you truly. At least you should be his wife. So I married you, truly, in the service of my church."

"My God!" cried Madeline, rising.

"Hear me! I implore you, Senora, hear me out! Do not leave me! Do not look so—so—— Ah, Senora, let me speak a word for Senor Stewart. He was drunk that night. He did not know what he was about. In the morning he came to me, made me swear by my cross that I would not reveal the disgrace he had put upon you. If I did he would kill me. Life is nothing to the American vaquero, Senora. I promised to respect his command, but I did not tell him you were his wife. He did not dream I had truly married you. He went to fight for the freedom of my country—Senora, he is one splendid soldier—and I brooded over the sin of my secret. If he were killed I need never tell you. But if he lived I knew that I must some day.

"Senora, I pray you, do not misunderstand my mission. Beyond my confession to you I have only a duty to tell you of the man whose wife you are. But I am a priest and I can read the soul. The ways of God are inscrutable. I am only a humble instrument. ¿You are a noble woman, and Senor Stewart is a man of desert iron forged anew in the crucible of love. Quien sabe? Senor Stewart swore he would kill me if I betrayed him. But he will not lift his hand against me. For the man bears you a very great and pure love, and it has changed him. To love you above the spirit of the flesh; to know you are his wife, but never to be another's except by his sacrifice; to watch you with a secret glory of joy and pride; to stand, while he might, between you and evil; to find his happiness in service; to wait, with never a dream of telling you, for the hour to come when to leave you free he must go out and get himself shot! Senora, that is beautiful, it is sublime, it is terrible. It has brought me to you with my confession. So I beseech you in my humble office as priest, as a lover of mankind, before you send Stewart to his death, to be sure there is here no mysterious dispensation of God. I pray you, Senora, before you let Stewart give you freedom at such cost be sure you do not want his love, lest you cast away something sweet and ennobling which you yourself have created."

CHAPTER XXI

News of Stewart.

Blinded, like a wild creature, Madeline Hammond ran to her room. She felt as if a stroke of lightning had shattered the shadowy substance of the dream she had made of real life. The wonder of Danny Maina' story, the strange regret with which she had realized her injustice to Stewart, the astounding secret as revealed by Padre Marcos—these were forgotten in the sudden conclusiveness of her own love. She liberated the thought that knocked at the gates of her mind. With quivering lips she whispered it. Then she spoke aloud:

"I will say it—bear it. I—I love him!"

In a nature like here, where strength of feeling had long been inhibited as a matter of training, such a transforming surprise as sudden consciousness of passionate love required time for its awakening, time for its sway.

By and by that last enlightening moment came, and Madeline Hammond faced not only the love in her heart, but the thought of the man she loved.

Suddenly, as she raged, something in her—this dauntless new personality—took arms against indictment of Gene Stewart. Her mind whirled about him and his life. She saw him drunk, brutal; she saw him abandoned, lost. Then out of the picture she had of him thus slowly grew one of a different man—weak, sick, changed by shock, growing strong, strangely, spiritually altered, silent, lonely like an eagle, secretive, tireless, faithful, not as a woman, hard as iron to endure, and at the last noble.

"Oh, it is all terrible!" she cried. "I am his wife. His wife! That meeting with him—the marriage—then his fall, his love, his rise, his silence, his pride! And I can never be anything to him. Could I be anything to him? I, Madeline Hammond? But I am his wife, and I love him! His wife! I am the wife of a cowboy! That might be undone. Can my love be undone? Ah, do I want anything undone? He is gone. Gone! Could he have meant—I will not, dare not think of that. He will come back. No, he never will come back. Oh, what shall I do?"

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And on the morning of the next day, when Madeline went out upon the porch, Stillwell, haggard and stern, with husky, incoherent word, handed her a message from El Cajon. She read:

"El Capitan Stewart captured by rebel soldiers in fight at Agua Prieta yesterday. He was a sharpshooter in the federal ranks. Sentenced to death Thursday at sunset."

CHAPTER XXII

The Ride.

"Stillwell!"

The old cattleman stood mute before her, glaring at her white face, at her eyes of flame.

"Stillwell! I am Stewart's wife!"

"My Gawd, Miss Majesty!" he burst out. "I knowed somethin' turrible was wrong; aw, sure it's a pity——"

"Do you think I'll let him be shot when I know him now, when I'm no longer blind, when I love him?" she asked, with passionate swiftness. "I will save him. This is Wednesday morning. I have thirty-six hours to save his life. Stillwell, send for Link and the car!"

She went into her office. Her mind worked with preternatural quickness and clearness. Her plan, born in one lightningslike flash of thought, necessitated the careful wording of telegrams to Washington, to New York, to San Antonio. These were to senators, representatives, men high in public and private life, men who would remember her and who would serve her to their utmost. Never before had her position meant more to her comparable with what it meant now. Never in all her life had money seemed the power that it was then. If she had been poor! A shuddering chill froze the thought at its inception. She dispelled heartbreaking thoughts. She had power. She had wealth. She would set into operation all the unlimited means these gave her—the wires and pulleys and strings underneath the surface of political and international life, the open, free, purchasing value of money or the deep, underground, mysterious, incalculably powerful influence moved by gold. She could save Stewart.

When she went outside the car was there with Link, helmet in hand, a cool, bright gleam in his eyes, and with Stillwell, losing his haggard misery, beginning to respond to Madeline's spirit.

"Link, drive Stillwell to El Cajon in time for him to catch the El Paso train," she said. "Wait there for his return, and if any message comes from him, telephone it at once to me."

Then she gave Stillwell the telegrams to send from El Cajon and drafts in cash in El Paso. She instructed him to go before the rebel junta, then stationed at Juarez, to explain the situation, to bid them expect communications from Washington officials requesting and advising Stewart's exchange as a prisoner of war, to offer for his release from the rebel authorities.

There was a crack, a muffled sound bursting into a roar, and the big car jerked forward to bound over the edge of the slope, to leap down the long incline, to shoot out upon the level valley floor and disappear in moving dust.

Madeline endured patiently, endured for long intolerable hours while holding to hope with indomitable will.

No message came. At sunset she went out, endured a torment of accumulating suspense. Night fell. She prayed for the sun not to rise, not to begin its short twelve-hour journey toward what might be a fatal setting for Stewart. But the dawn did lighten, swiftly she thought, remorselessly. Daylight had broken, had come—it was Thursday!

Sharp ringing at the telephone bell startled her, roused her into action. She ran to answer the call.

"Hello—hello—Miss Majesty?" came the hurried reply. "This's Link talkin'. Message for you. Favorable, the operator said. I'm to ride out with them. I'll come a-hummin'!"

That was all. Madeline heard the bang of the receiver as Stevens threw it down. Favorable! Then Stillwell had been successful. Her heart leaped. Suddenly she became weak and her hands failed of their accustomed deftness. It took her what seemed a thousand years to dress. Breakfast passed nothing to her except that it

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Committee On Publication Replies To Dittemore Article

To the Editor:

The article in a recent issue of your paper, purporting to be an account of the report of Judge Dodge in the case of J. V. Dittemore versus The Christian Science Board of Directors, requires correction.

Mr. Dittemore was dismissed from The Christian Science Board of Directors by a majority vote of the remaining Directors, as provided in the Church Manual, and the action brought this suit, demanding reinstatement. The decision of the court in the case was recently made public, and Mr. Dittemore, immediately sent out this article in plate form so his own statement to several thousand newspapers. The account is extremely unfair in many particulars, and I shall thank you for space in which to correct the most flagrant inaccuracies.

In the first place, it fails to mention the controversy with the late Archibald McKellar, which brought Mr. Dittemore's name prominently before the Christian Science Publishing Society, and the part that Mr. Dittemore played in complicating a most perplexing situation, which led the Master repeatedly referred to in his report and mentioned explicitly as "the controlling motive" of the Directors in removing him from office.

In the second place, while it purports to state the Master's findings, it omits the direct and quoted dismissal of the Directors, it neither states nor quotes the Master's main finding in this subject. The main finding and not to the cause or dismissal is found in paragraph 57 of the Master's report, which reads as follows:

"57. I do not find however, that their responsible and acceptance of the resolution to dismiss him, which action was taken by the Directors against Mr. Dittemore, was not in good faith. I find that the controlling motive which induced its adoption by the defendants who voted for it, was the desire on their part to remove the obstacle presented to the plaintiff's continuance on the Board to their attempts to forward a compromise with the Trustees; though they acted the plaintiff's continued controlling motive by reason of which they felt unable to disassociate themselves from a colleague with whom they could not agree and whom they did not like. Except to the above extent, I am unable to find that their action was not in good faith. These were the findings of the Former Report."

While the article in question claims to be simply an account of the Master's report, it is really propaganda to create public sentiment against the present application of church members to be reinstated in the church. In this effort to secure sympathy and in his efforts to secure public support, Mr. Dittemore has sought in every way possible to distort the Master's report and the Church Manual. See Individuals Article VIII, Section 1, and this article in the Church Manual gives to the Directors the power to dismiss members of the Board of Directors, and it shall be controlled by none other."

Mr. Dittemore also instructed that there are two factions in the church headed by his representative and himself, respectively, and claims to growing in strength. In refutation, allow me to quote the following from an editorial in "The Boston Herald," written at the time the Supreme Court rendered its decision in the former case. Referring to the attitude of Christian Scientists towards that controversy, the Herald stated: "There was seldom observed any bitterness; there was substantially an very nearly unanimous support of the great mass of members in the decision rendered in the presence of a small number by the highest judicial group in the Publishing House." The same may be said today with equal, and in fact with greater force. In spite of Mr. Dittemore's persistent efforts to produce discord and dissention while the final decision of the Court is still pending. And Christian Scientists feel confident that the Supreme Court will again uphold the Church Manual and the action of the Board of Directors in dismissing Mr. Dittemore, just as it upheld the action of the Trustees in dismissing one of the late trustees.

Sincerely yours,
Richard E. Brimer
Committee on Publication.
Norfolk, Va., July 8, 1923.

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ROCKS NEWS

Crops are looking very well considering the dry weather.

G. T. Marsh had a barn raising Friday and only a few sore-head Democrats were invited and no Republicans at all.

A party was given at J. H. Ranson's Saturday night in honor of Misses Ethel Anderson and Clarice Baldwin. A number were present and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves fine. Miss Cassie Baldwin came home Friday from Farmville where she attended summer normal we all give her a hearty welcome back to the neighborhood.

Miss Ethel Anderson left Monday day for Montgomery where she will attend her mess college. We all wish her much success in her school work.

Mr. Rhomy Hudson is also leaving for W

We are having a good prayer meeting at Rock

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LESSON FOR SEPTEMBER 9

JOHN MARK

LESSON TEXT—Mark 14:51-53; Acts 12:12; 15:12-39; Acts 13:36-46; II Tim. 4:11.

GOLDEN TEXT—Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.—Eccles. 9:10.

PRIMARY TOPIC—John Mark, One of Jesus' Helpers.

JUNIOR TOPIC—The Man Who Failed, and Tried Again.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Warning and Encouragement From the Life of Mark.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Mark's Contribution to Christianity.

I. Mark's Home Life (Acts 12:12).

He had the wholesome influence of a Christian home, for his mother was a godly woman. There is no heritage to be compared to that of a godly home. Nothing has such a far-reaching influence upon the life of a young man as the memory of a praying mother. Even when it was no perilous to be known as a follower of Jesus, she was not afraid to have a prayer meeting in her home.

II. Mark With Jesus in Gethsemane (Mark 14:51, 52).

At the sight of the Roman guard, the disciples "all forsook Him and fled." This timid lad still followed the Lord till laid hold on by the young men. He then fled, leaving behind him his linen garments. This Gethsemane experience doubtless had a decided effect upon his life.

III. Mark As Companion of Paul and Barnabas (Acts 12:25-13:5).

Mark was with the company when Peter told of his wonderful release from prison. This doubtless made a great impression upon him and was the beginning of his desire to accompany the missionaries of the cross. He was not a missionary on the same footing as Paul and Barnabas, but was attendant upon them to look after their needs.

IV. Mark Deserting Paul and Barnabas (Acts 13:13).

We are not told the cause of this desertion. Three conjectures, each of all of which had a bearing upon life, are offered.

1. Homesickness. His home was on the way to Perga, and he may have thought that instead of going on he would return home. Possibly his mother was sick and needed his care. The assertion of this young servant was tried. We ought not to condemn him too hastily, for we know how trying it is to leave home when struggling against the rough world. While sympathizing with him, we must remember that duty is stronger than the tender ties of life. The time comes when the soldier must spurn the ties which bind him to father, mother, wife and children, in response to the call of duty. The missionary must turn his back upon home, native land, and friends in his devotion to his Lord.

2. Disbelief in Foreign Missions. There was a common prejudice among the Jews against taking the gospel to the Gentiles. When he saw that these missionaries were going to the "regions beyond," his prejudice may have caused him to turn back.

3. Cowardice. The dangers before them were not imaginary but real. The missionary today faces awful dangers: climate, wild beasts, deadly serpents and insects, and savage and cannibalistic men. However, fear is no excuse for cowardice because we are linked to the Almighty by faith; there is nothing in heaven or on earth that can harm us. Courage is required of those who would do the Lord's work.

V. Mark With Peter in Babylon (I Pet. 5:13).

Some years after Mark's desertion, when Paul and Barnabas were arranging for a second evangelistic tour, they had a sharp dispute over the question of taking Mark with them. Paul would not consent to Mark's accompanying them, so "they departed asunder one from the other." Mark went with his uncle. By this time he must have been cured of his cowardice for we see him associated with Peter in Babylon.

VI. Mark Honored by Paul (II Tim. 4:11).

Paul is now an old man in prison. Mark is a middle-aged man associated with Timothy at Ephesus. Mark had proved himself, for Paul gives the pleasing testimony that "he is profitable unto me for the ministry." Mark is an example of one who made good in spite of his early backsliding.

Heroism.

The world's battlefields have been in the heart chiefly; more heroism has been displayed in the household and the closet than on the most memorable battlefields of history.—H. W. Beecher.

You Must Be Calm.

The language of excitement is at best but picturesque nonsense. You must be calm before you can utter oracles.—Thoreau.

Little People.

I love these little people and it is not a slight thing, when they, who are so fresh from God, love us.—Dickens.

Greatness and Truth.

If any man seeks for greatness, let him forget greatness and ask for truth, and he will find both.—Horace Mann.

One Belief Not Sufficient.

The inhabitants of some of the remote parts of China have this idea that the greater the number of religious beliefs they profess the more certain are their chances in the next world.

EVERYTHING
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